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SUBJECT: GUEST PASSENGER FOR ANTARCTIC WHALING FLEET

REF: STATE 239356

1. EMBASSY CONTACTED FUJITA, JAPAN JOINT WHALING COMPANY (JJWC), AND RYUSUKE SUZUKI, WHALING SECTION, JFA, RE REFTEL.

2. JJWC AND JFA STATED THAT DR. MURRAY DAILEY AND HIS GRADUATE STUDENT COULD BE ACCEPTED AS JJWC'S GUEST PASSENGERS PENDING DEPT CONFIRMATION, AS WAS DONE LAST YEAR, OF (1) USG WILLINGNESS TO TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEM IN CASE OF ACCIDENT WHILE ON BOARD JAPANESE WHALING MOTHERSHIP, (2) THE TWO GUEST PASSENGERS SHOULD NOT HAVE BEEN AFFILIATED WITH ANY SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP THAT SUPPORTS OR OPPOSES JAPANESE WHALING INDUSTRY, (3) DATA TO BE GATHERED BY GUEST PASSENGERS WILL BE USED ONLY BY USG, AND (4) COPY OF THEIR FINAL REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED TO JJWX AND JFA.

3. DUE PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE IN ACCEPTING U.S. GUEST PASSENGER AND BETTER ACCOMMODATION FACILITIES, JFA SUGGESTS FIRST GUEST PASSENGER BOARD MOTHERSHIP TONAN MARU NO. 2 WHICH WILL DEPART KOBE OCTOBER 12 FOR ANTARCTIC RATHER THAN MOTHERSHIP NISSHIN MARU NO. 3 WHICH WILL DEPART HOKOSUKA OCTOBER 23. SECOND PASSENGER WILL BE ABLE DEPART JAPAN ABOARD A TRANSPORT VESSEL WHICH WILL DEPART JAPAN IN MID-JANUARY, 1977.

4. ACCORDING JAPANESE IMMIGRATION OFFICE, HOLDER OF ORDINARY PASSPORT WITH TOURIST VISA IS NOT SUPPOSED TO ENGAGE IN ANY ACTIVITIES SUCH AS RESEARCH IN JAPAN OR AN A JAPANESE VESSEL
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TO SEA FROM JAPAN OFFICIAL PASSPORT IS PREFERABLE,
BUT IF THIS IS NOT FEASIBLE FOR UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR AND

STUDENT, THEY SHOULD HAVE ORDINARY PASSPORT WITH BUSINESS OR
RESEARCH VISA. PLEASE ALSO NOTE THAT EMBASSY CANNOT ISSUE
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